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HOUSEHOLD PROJECTIONS FOR CALIFORNIA COUNTIES: 1985-2020

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This report contains projections of the household population, the number of households, and the average household size (also known as the average number of persons per household) for California and each of the 58 counties.

In this report, households refer to occupied housing units only. In determining the household population, a distinction is made between the portion of the population living in households and that living in group quarters (i.e. military barracks, college dormitories, homes for the aged, and prisons). The household population is obtained by subtracting the group quarters population from the total population.

Methodology for Statewide Projections

The householder rate method was used to project households and household populations statewide through the year 2020. A householder is the person in each dwelling unit in whose name the dwelling unit is owned or rented. Thus, each occupied dwelling unit in California has a householder.

A householder rate is the probability of a person being a householder. The householder rate is calculated by dividing the number of householders by the number of households. For example, the householder rate for persons aged 60 to 65 equals the number of householders who are between 60 and 65 years old divided by the number of persons aged 60 to 65 (in California in 1985 this rate was .58).

Age- and gender-specific householder rates for each ethnic group were determined based on 1980 census information. The rates were determined separately for each of three household types: 1) married family households, 2) other family households, and 3) non-family households. An analysis of these rates for 1970, 1980, and 1987 showed that the rates had changed very little, especially between 1980 and 1987. The age-specific householder rates used in the statewide projections were based on the structure of the 1980 rates and the overall level of the 1987 rates.

After determining householder rates, household populations by household type were projected. Projected household populations were obtained by subtracting projected group quarters populations from total projected populations as determined by the Demographic Research Unit's P-4 1986 projections. In determining householder rates, age-specific household population proportions by household type were developed from 1980 census data for each ethnic group. Based on examination of the proportions for 1970 through 1987, the household type proportions used for the statewide projection were based on 1980 proportions with modifications made to reflect later ages at marriage.

Householders by ethnicity, age, and household type were determined by applying the householder rates to the household population proportions. Average household sizes were determined by dividing household populations by the number of householders.

Methodology for County Projections

The householder rate method was also employed for the individual county projections. In determining householder rates for the counties, however, ethnicity and household type detail was not available. Because of the greater accuracy afforded by the ethnic-specific householder rates used in the statewide projections, the sum of the county projections was controlled to the statewide projections. Thus, changing ethnicity in the counties is indirectly reflected in the controlled county projections.

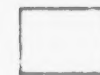
For a more detailed methodological statement, contact the Demographic Research Unit.

ABSOLUTE INCREASE IN NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS

1985-2020



Additional Households



< 15000



15000 to 80000



> 80000

Source: Demographic Research Unit
Department of Finance

PERCENT INCREASE IN NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS

1985-2020



Percent Increase

 < 50

 50 to 100

 > 100

Source: Demographic Research Unit
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	July 1, 1985	July 1, 1990	July 1, 1995	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2005	July 1, 2010	July 1, 2015	July 1, 2020
CALIFORNIA								
Household Population	25745400	28241800	30242400	32070700	33722900	35400900	37083500	38656400
Households	9418200	10382600	11135300	11870600	12632700	13441700	14198400	14869200
Average Household Size	2.73	2.72	2.72	2.70	2.67	2.63	2.62	2.60
ALAMEDA								
Household Population	1158100	1236700	1288500	1325100	1355700	1389800	1425500	1460000
Households	455400	489400	506200	523300	537200	558000	571900	586900
Average Household Size	2.54	2.53	2.55	2.53	2.52	2.49	2.49	2.49
ALPINE								
Household Population	1200	1300	1400	1600	1900	2100	2300	2500
Households	500	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100
Average Household Size	2.55	2.53	2.42	2.34	2.28	2.24	2.20	2.20
AMADOR								
Household Population	22200	28200	31700	35100	38400	41800	45300	48700
Households	8700	11000	12400	13600	14900	16300	17900	19300
Average Household Size	2.56	2.56	2.57	2.58	2.57	2.56	2.53	2.53
BUTTE								
Household Population	157700	178300	197200	216000	233600	251900	270400	288300
Households	65100	72700	79800	87300	95000	103300	111500	119700
Average Household Size	2.43	2.45	2.47	2.47	2.46	2.44	2.42	2.41
CALAVERAS								
Household Population	26100	31700	37100	42000	46800	51500	56400	61200
Households	10300	12200	14300	16100	18000	19900	22000	23900
Average Household Size	2.54	2.59	2.60	2.61	2.60	2.59	2.57	2.56
COLUSA								
Household Population	14400	16200	17700	19100	20000	20900	21800	22800
Households	5200	5800	6300	6700	7000	7300	7700	8100
Average Household Size	2.76	2.79	2.82	2.86	2.83	2.84	2.83	2.83
CONTRA COSTA								
Household Population	706400	760400	815600	860600	900500	939000	977500	1013900
Households	266500	295800	319900	339400	358700	377900	396400	411500
Average Household Size	2.65	2.57	2.55	2.54	2.51	2.48	2.47	2.46
DEL NORTE								
Household Population	18300	19300	20000	20400	20600	20700	20800	20700
Households	7300	7600	8000	8300	8500	8600	8700	8800
Average Household Size	2.52	2.55	2.51	2.46	2.43	2.40	2.38	2.34
EL DORADO								
Household Population	102800	122200	140000	157400	174800	192500	210200	227100
Households	38200	45500	52500	59500	66800	74400	81600	88100
Average Household Size	2.69	2.68	2.67	2.65	2.61	2.59	2.58	2.58
FRESNO								
Household Population	563700	617500	671000	721000	773600	828900	884700	937900
Households	198200	219600	236000	254600	277500	302900	327000	350400
Average Household Size	2.84	2.81	2.84	2.83	2.79	2.74	2.71	2.68
GLENN								
Household Population	22600	24700	26300	27700	28800	29800	30900	31700
Households	8400	9300	10000	10600	11100	11700	12200	12700
Average Household Size	2.68	2.64	2.63	2.62	2.59	2.55	2.52	2.50
HUMBOLDT								
Household Population	108800	113900	115900	116900	117100	116900	116300	114800
Households	43900	46500	48000	49100	50100	50700	51000	50800
Average Household Size	2.48	2.45	2.42	2.38	2.34	2.31	2.28	2.26

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	July 1, 1985	July 1, 1990	July 1, 1995	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2005	July 1, 2010	July 1, 2015	July 1, 2020
IMPERIAL								
Household Population	103000	117700	130000	141400	151900	162500	173000	182800
Households	30400	34600	38600	42500	46900	51500	56200	60500
Average Household Size	3.39	3.40	3.37	3.32	3.24	3.15	3.08	3.02
INYO								
Household Population	17900	18300	18400	18500	18600	18700	18800	18900
Households	7700	7900	8000	8000	8100	8100	8200	8300
Average Household Size	2.33	2.31	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.29	2.29	2.28
KERN								
Household Population	468600	528000	589300	648700	700300	749900	797600	841600
Households	165100	187600	210200	234200	258100	282600	305800	327300
Average Household Size	2.84	2.81	2.80	2.77	2.71	2.65	2.61	2.57
KINGS								
Household Population	81600	97700	105800	112100	117900	124100	130200	135700
Households	27100	32800	35600	37700	40600	43600	46500	49000
Average Household Size	3.01	2.97	2.98	2.97	2.90	2.84	2.80	2.77
LAKE								
Household Population	47000	58700	69700	79800	89700	99700	109800	119600
Households	19500	23900	28000	31900	35900	40300	44900	49300
Average Household Size	2.41	2.45	2.49	2.50	2.50	2.47	2.45	2.43
LASSEN								
Household Population	21600	23400	24600	26200	27700	29100	30400	31500
Households	8200	9100	9700	10500	11300	11900	12600	13200
Average Household Size	2.64	2.58	2.53	2.49	2.45	2.44	2.41	2.39
LOS ANGELES								
Household Population	8014700	8476200	8723000	8967600	9194300	9449200	9709300	9941600
Households	2856800	2975700	3047000	3122500	3236000	3354900	3460800	3531400
Average Household Size	2.81	2.85	2.86	2.87	2.84	2.82	2.81	2.82
MADERA								
Household Population	75100	88400	101600	114400	126800	139100	151300	163100
Households	24300	28500	33000	37500	42200	47200	52300	57300
Average Household Size	3.09	3.10	3.08	3.05	3.00	2.95	2.89	2.85
MARIN								
Household Population	218100	222600	226600	228600	228700	227700	226200	224400
Households	93000	98300	101700	103500	104600	103900	103100	102000
Average Household Size	2.34	2.26	2.23	2.21	2.19	2.19	2.19	2.20
MARIPOSA								
Household Population	12400	14700	16800	19000	21000	23100	25200	27400
Households	4900	5700	6500	7300	8100	9000	9900	10800
Average Household Size	2.52	2.57	2.60	2.60	2.60	2.57	2.55	2.54
MENDOCINO								
Household Population	71500	78700	84800	90400	95900	101400	106700	111700
Households	27600	30500	33000	35400	38100	40800	43400	45700
Average Household Size	2.59	2.58	2.57	2.55	2.52	2.49	2.46	2.44
MERCED								
Household Population	155700	183700	209200	235300	258800	284500	310600	335800
Households	49800	57200	63300	71200	80600	91500	101900	111900
Average Household Size	3.13	3.21	3.30	3.31	3.21	3.11	3.05	3.00
MODOC								
Household Population	9300	9800	10600	11500	12200	13100	13800	14600
Households	3700	3900	4200	4600	4900	5300	5700	6100
Average Household Size	2.52	2.49	2.51	2.50	2.50	2.46	2.44	2.39

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MONO								
Household Population	8900	9400	9800	10400	10900	11400	11900	12400
Households	4100	4300	4500	4800	5200	5400	5600	5700
Average Household Size	2.18	2.19	2.18	2.15	2.11	2.11	2.14	2.17
MONTEREY								
Household Population	309600	340700	371000	397300	419800	441300	462100	481300
Households	103900	116800	128600	140800	150900	163200	174000	185400
Average Household Size	2.98	2.92	2.89	2.82	2.78	2.70	2.66	2.60
NAPA								
Household Population	98100	104200	110600	116800	122300	128000	133900	139900
Households	39400	42200	44800	47300	49700	52500	55300	57800
Average Household Size	2.49	2.47	2.47	2.47	2.46	2.44	2.42	2.42
NEVADA								
Household Population	66900	82200	97700	112500	126000	139400	152600	165400
Households	25200	31600	37600	43400	49000	54800	60700	66200
Average Household Size	2.66	2.61	2.60	2.59	2.57	2.55	2.52	2.50
ORANGE								
Household Population	2099500	2271200	2430400	2563200	2680600	2793100	2901700	2998600
Households	752400	832300	901800	961200	1020000	1079800	1132200	1173900
Average Household Size	2.79	2.73	2.70	2.67	2.63	2.59	2.56	2.55
PLACER								
Household Population	135900	157300	179600	201000	221700	242500	263500	284000
Households	50700	59900	68600	76900	85700	94700	103700	111900
Average Household Size	2.68	2.63	2.62	2.61	2.59	2.56	2.54	2.54
PLUMAS								
Household Population	18900	20600	22100	23600	24700	25700	26800	27700
Households	7700	8500	9200	9900	10500	11000	11500	11900
Average Household Size	2.46	2.42	2.40	2.38	2.35	2.34	2.33	2.32
RIVERSIDE								
Household Population	803600	999900	1163700	1327600	1472700	1619200	1766500	1909000
Households	291400	361400	420800	481700	540200	602900	666400	727700
Average Household Size	2.76	2.77	2.77	2.76	2.73	2.69	2.65	2.62
SACRAMENTO								
Household Population	872500	973900	1070500	1161300	1242600	1324700	1405900	1482200
Households	340800	387400	426700	466700	505800	546400	583100	616600
Average Household Size	2.56	2.51	2.51	2.49	2.46	2.42	2.41	2.40
SAN BENITO								
Household Population	29800	36400	42500	48100	52300	56500	60600	64400
Households	9700	11900	14000	16100	17900	19800	21700	23500
Average Household Size	3.08	3.07	3.03	2.98	2.92	2.85	2.79	2.74
SAN BERNARDINO								
Household Population	1052500	1276600	1445600	1617700	1771000	1926800	2080800	2227500
Households	367400	453100	516700	585500	654300	725300	794300	859000
Average Household Size	2.87	2.82	2.80	2.76	2.71	2.66	2.62	2.59
SAN DIEGO								
Household Population	2025500	2295600	2499600	2703300	2892800	3083000	3272200	3451500
Households	756900	880000	963600	1051700	1138400	1232200	1319700	1401300
Average Household Size	2.68	2.61	2.59	2.57	2.54	2.50	2.48	2.46
SAN FRANCISCO *								
Household Population	703400	729900	752000	735000	713400	694300	676700	657700
Households	309000	317400	325700	325700	320000	320000	320000	320000
Average Household Size	2.28	2.30	2.31	2.26	2.23	2.17	2.11	2.06

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SAN JOAQUIN								
Household Population	400800	468700	534800	594600	647800	703400	759900	814200
Households	143500	161300	182200	203000	225500	249900	274200	297300
Average Household Size	2.79	2.90	2.93	2.93	2.87	2.81	2.77	2.74
SAN LUIS OBISPO								
Household Population	175000	214500	250200	283200	311400	339900	367800	394000
Households	68800	85500	100000	114100	127000	140500	153400	165600
Average Household Size	2.55	2.51	2.50	2.48	2.45	2.42	2.40	2.38
SAN MATEO								
Household Population	606300	628500	642300	648300	649800	651000	652900	653800
Households	233700	245400	251700	254600	256300	259300	260900	261200
Average Household Size	2.59	2.56	2.55	2.55	2.54	2.51	2.50	2.50
SANTA BARBARA								
Household Population	317800	350400	374800	391300	405000	418300	431200	442500
Households	119700	133400	142900	150100	157200	164500	170900	176200
Average Household Size	2.65	2.63	2.62	2.61	2.58	2.54	2.52	2.51
SANTA CLARA								
Household Population	1365700	1458200	1539000	1607300	1667200	1725700	1784300	1838900
Households	488100	537800	573300	604800	633300	666100	692800	717200
Average Household Size	2.80	2.71	2.68	2.66	2.63	2.59	2.58	2.56
SANTA CRUZ								
Household Population	205900	232700	256100	277900	298600	320400	342700	364000
Households	78700	87400	96000	104900	114300	124600	134200	143000
Average Household Size	2.62	2.66	2.67	2.65	2.61	2.57	2.55	2.55
SHASTA								
Household Population	128500	146600	162600	177600	189700	201700	213500	224700
Households	48400	56300	62900	69100	74800	80300	85800	90600
Average Household Size	2.66	2.61	2.58	2.57	2.54	2.51	2.49	2.48
SIERRA								
Household Population	3400	3700	3900	4100	4300	4500	4600	4800
Households	1400	1500	1700	1800	1800	1900	2000	2100
Average Household Size	2.45	2.41	2.36	2.33	2.32	2.32	2.31	2.30
SISKIYOU								
Household Population	41800	43800	45200	46400	47400	48500	49500	50300
Households	17000	18000	18700	19300	19900	20500	21100	21600
Average Household Size	2.45	2.43	2.42	2.40	2.38	2.36	2.34	2.33
SOLANO								
Household Population	263700	300600	339000	375100	407100	438600	469400	498800
Households	92000	110400	126200	142100	156500	171400	185400	198700
Average Household Size	2.87	2.72	2.69	2.64	2.60	2.56	2.53	2.51
SONOMA								
Household Population	328000	364700	397700	426000	454000	471700	496500	519500
Households	129800	147200	161900	174900	189500	197000	209200	220000
Average Household Size	2.53	2.48	2.46	2.44	2.40	2.40	2.37	2.36
STANISLAUS								
Household Population	300500	343300	378300	413200	448900	485400	521700	556500
Households	106300	122100	134800	148400	163600	179600	195100	210000
Average Household Size	2.83	2.81	2.81	2.78	2.74	2.70	2.67	2.65
SUTTER								
Household Population	57600	63000	67700	71300	74900	78400	81900	85000
Households	20700	22700	24500	26100	28000	29700	31200	32500
Average Household Size	2.78	2.77	2.76	2.74	2.68	2.64	2.62	2.62

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TEHAMA								
Household Population	43400	49200	54300	59000	63300	67600	72200	76600
Households	16700	18900	20800	22500	24300	26200	28200	30000
Average Household Size	2.60	2.60	2.61	2.63	2.61	2.58	2.56	2.55
TRINITY								
Household Population	13300	14700	15800	16900	18000	19000	20000	20900
Households	5200	5800	6300	6800	7300	7800	8300	8700
Average Household Size	2.58	2.54	2.49	2.48	2.46	2.44	2.42	2.41
TULARE								
Household Population	275100	310900	349200	387400	424600	463400	503000	541900
Households	89300	100200	111400	123700	137600	153500	170000	186200
Average Household Size	3.08	3.10	3.13	3.13	3.08	3.02	2.96	2.91
TUOLUMNE								
Household Population	38100	46600	54400	60900	65800	70800	75900	80900
Households	14800	18000	20900	23300	25200	27400	29600	31800
Average Household Size	2.58	2.59	2.60	2.61	2.61	2.59	2.56	2.55
VENTURA								
Household Population	588200	652300	713800	770800	824000	874900	923900	969400
Households	194900	221400	247500	271800	295500	318900	341400	361400
Average Household Size	3.02	2.95	2.88	2.84	2.79	2.74	2.71	2.68
YOLO								
Household Population	116600	127100	136200	144300	151900	159300	166300	172500
Households	46000	50600	54700	58800	63000	67100	70700	73800
Average Household Size	2.54	2.51	2.49	2.45	2.41	2.37	2.35	2.34
YUBA								
Household Population	52000	56000	59000	61400	63100	64700	66200	67400
Households	19200	20400	21400	22600	23400	24600	25400	26300
Average Household Size	2.72	2.75	2.75	2.71	2.69	2.63	2.61	2.56

Note: Totals may not add due to independent rounding. Average household size was computed based on unrounded numbers.

* The decline in San Francisco's households was stopped at 320,000. A further drop would imply an unreasonable shrinkage in the housing stock.